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SUBJECT: INVITATION TO FIFTH SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE AND
GOVERNMENT OF THE AMERICAS FOR FIRST LADY MICHELLE OBAMA
FROM TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S WIFE OF THE PRIME MINISTER,
HAZEL MANNING

11. Embassy Port of Spain has received Diplomatic Note Number
373, dated February 19, 2009, from the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs in Trinidad and Tobago. Text follows:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago presents its compliments to the Embassy of the
United States of America and has the honour to refer to the
Fifth Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Americas
to be held in Port of Spain from April 17 to 19, 2009.

The Ministry has the further honour to request the assistance
of the Embassy in transmitting the enclosed correspondence
from the Honourable Hazel Manning, wife of the Prime Minister
of Trinidad and Tobago, the Honourable Patrick Manning to Her
Excellency Michelle Obama. A copy of the letter is attached
for the records of the Embassy.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the
Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its
highest consideration.

12. The letter dated February 11, 2009 follows:

Your Excellency,

The Fifth Summit of Heads of State and Government of the
Americas will be hosted by the Republic of Trinidad and
Tobago from April 17 to 19, 2009. I look forward therefore,
to receiving you and all the other spouses in Port of Spain
for the Fifth Summit. It is also my pleasure to inform you
that a programme of activities has been developed for the
spouses and the details are included in the Provisional
Programme which I have attached for your perusal.

In keeping with the above-mentioned provisional programme, I
would indeed be honoured if you could join me and the other
spouses for an informal exchange on the theme "Promoting
Environmental Sustainability as a catalyst for Poverty
Reduction."

I wish also to extend an invitation to you to share with us a
DVD presentation on your country's programmes and activities
on the above-mentioned theme. I would be pleased to receive
your submission ahead of the Summit and would wish to do a
compilation of the presentations received from all of our
colleague spouses to share among ourselves when we meet in
Port of Spain.

Your Excellency, I take this opportunity to wish to you and
your spouse a health and productive 2009 and convey to you
the assurances of my highest consideration.

/s/
Hazel Manning

Her Excellency Michelle Obama
First Lady of the United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington DC 20500
United States of America

¶3. A 'Provisional Spouses' Programme' for Thursday, April 16 - Monday, April 20, 2009 was also included but will not be listed in this cable.

¶4. We have responded to the diplomatic note stating that we have forwarded the invitation to Washington.

¶5. The entire package is being FedEx'ed to WHA/CAR (Jon Mitchell) and has been scanned and emailed to him as well.

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